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13 January 1948

Dear Stan:

Thank you for your letter of January 7 enclosing the clipping from the New York Times.

The comments of the reviewer are interesting, but of course the question of efficiency of military intelligence always proves to be a controversial one. I have great faith in Admiral Hillenkoetter, Director of the Central Intelligence Agency, and in his ability to select good men.

Believing that the Admiral may be interested in the article, I am sending it over to him.

Sincerely,

(Signed) Jim

James Forrestal

Mr. H. Stanley Krusen

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January 7, 1948

Secretary James Forrestal
Department of National Defense
Pentagon Building
Washington, D.C.

My dear Mr. Secretary:

Enclosed is a "New York Times" book review of "Defeat in the West" by Major Milton Shulman which appeared January 4, 1948. I thought you might be interested in the next to the last paragraph, just in case public relations missed the comment.

I gather from certain comments heard here in New York that Central Intelligence is being aggressively staffed. I hope that Mr. Stone, the reviewer, is incorrect as to his opinions.

I hope that the new year brings with it some relief from the great burdens you have been under, particularly with respect to the problems of unification. My best wishes for your continued good health and success.

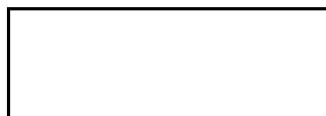
Very respectfully,

(Signed) Stan

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